

**METHOD OF JOINING DATA AND ITS METADATA USING  
DYNAMIC METADATA IN RELATIONAL DATABASE**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Methods, systems, and articles of manufacture that may be used for returning annotation data associated with a set of user data are provided. While annotations for different type data objects may have varying types and numbers of annotation fields, the annotation data contained therein may be consolidated and returned in a uniform annotation data structure (e.g., having a fixed number of fields) used for all types of annotations. For some embodiments, the annotation data structure may contain the consolidated annotation data, as well as a linking value identifying the corresponding annotated data.